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City Newsletter

January 2010 Edition

Mayor's Message

From Mayor Brian Wall

On behalf of the City Council, your City Staff, and my wife, I would like to wish all our residents a happy and prosperous New Year. 2010 will be another tough year for revenues and budgets, but we will make it work and we will do everything we can to make the City financially responsible. One of my primary goals, working in conjunction with the City Council and our City employees, is to strive to make Mapleton a better place for our families to live and to work in. My Administration will strive to protect our City's unique character.

As the City's newly elected Mayor, I want to thank our City Staff for their efforts to control costs and to be accountable for their budgets. You have my complete assurance that all our City services will continue to be provided, cost effectively, without exceeding a much reduced budget. This is no easy task considering the impact of the economic downturn on our City revenues. In a time of decreasing revenue the City Council and residents will expect me to insure that every expenditure is scrutinized, and to make sure there will be no City wide growth that results in increased revenue burdens.

Of course I cannot do this by myself, but I do commit to work diligently and to lead by example. In the movie *Drumline*, the Bank Director creates a mission statement, "One Band, One Sound". Without following this simple statement a band can never meet their full potential even with all of the talent in the world. As our City Departments work together as a team, our full potential will be seen and great things will come. I am optimistic that working together with City Staff; City Council; volunteers on the Planning Commission, Library Board, Museum Committee, Shade Tree Committee; Fine Arts Commission; Trails Subcommittee; Economic Development Commission; Green Committee Cemetery Committee; Transportation Advisory Commission and the Senior Citizens Committee, we can collectively develop and improve City facilities and programs provided for your use and benefit. Thank you for your support and kindness.

City Council Meetings – 2010

This is just a reminder that the City Council Meetings will be held on the 1st and 3rd TUESDAYS of each month starting in January 2010.



Public Safety

Winter Parking

Between the months of November and March no vehicles are allowed to park on the side of the roads between the hours of 11pm and 6am. This allows for the snow plows to clear the roadway so we can have clear streets to drive on. In addition, please watch out for people walking in the roadway.

Drug Disposal

Mapleton City has a drug disposal box located inside the foyer of the Police Department. You can dispose of all your old medications at no cost to you. We do not take syringes or liquids. The disposal box is available Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm. If you have any questions you can contact the Mapleton Police Department at 801-489-9668.

Christmas Tree Removal

2010 Schedule

Christmas Trees will be picked up from January 11th-13th. All trees must be out to the road no later than January 11th to ensure prompt pick-up. As always, the number of trees we will remove is limited to one per household. We are unable to remove flocked trees. If you have further questions regarding tree removal please contact Allied Waste at 801-785-5935.



City Calendar

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| Jan 1 | City Offices Closed – New Year's Day |
| Jan 5 | 7:00pm City Council Meeting |
| Jan 7 | 7:00pm Green Committee Meeting |
| Jan 11 | 9:00am Trails Sub-Committee Meeting |
| Jan 14 | 6:30pm Planning Commission Meeting |
| Jan 18 | City Offices Closed – Martin Luther King Jr. Day |
| Jan 19 | 7:00pm City Council Meeting |
| Jan 21 | 4:30pm Library Committee Meeting |
| Jan 21 | 6:00pm Transportation Commission Meeting |
| Jan 28 | 6:30pm Planning Commission Meeting |

Museum Tours are available by appointment. If interested please call (801) 489-6714 or (801) 491-6676.

Regularly scheduled City Meetings are held at the Community Center Building, 125 West Community Center Way (400 North). For more information about City Meetings call (801) 489-5655. **Agendas, Minutes, and Public Notices for all Meetings are available on the City's website at www.mapleton.org.**

Utility Bills – Past Due

On November 18, 2009 the City Council addressed past due utility bills by approving a formal procedure to shut off water to delinquent utility accounts. The details of the procedure are listed below:

- The due date for utility bills is the 20th of the month. All accounts with an outstanding balance of \$50.00 or more, which are over 20 days past due, will have a shut-off notice mailed approximately 6-8 days before the actual shut-off of water service takes place. A \$5.00 fee will be charged to each account for which a shut-off notice is mailed. Actual shut-off will normally be scheduled on the first Tuesday following the 20th of the month.
- The customer has until 5pm the day before shut-off to pay the past due amount. If the past due amount is not paid by the time and date specified, the water service will be shut off. If the water service is shut-off, all current and past due utility usage charges and other associated charges due to the City, plus a \$40.00 service fee must be paid before service will be restored.
- Situations may arise that require an extension of time when utility payment is due. A utility customer can request an extension by 5pm the day before shut-off. A “Payment Extension Agreement” will be completed by the City Finance personnel. Except for extraordinary circumstances, the maximum time allowed for an extension will be no longer than two weeks after the date of the scheduled shut-off. If the customer fails to pay the amount due for this extension by the extension due date, water service to the service address will be disconnected on the next working day following the extension date. All amounts due, plus applicable service fees, must be paid before service will be reconnected. The date on which the extension was granted will be indicated in the customer’s account records. Only one “Payment Extension Agreement” is permitted per year.



Contact Numbers

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| Mayor: | 489-5655 | Library: | 806-9127 |
| City Council: | 489-5655 | Public Works: | 489-6253 |
| City Administration: | 489-5655 | Emergency: | 911 |
| Community Development: | 489-6138 | Dispatch Police, | |
| Building Inspection: | 489-6138 | Fire, Ambulance: | 489-9421 |
| Court: | 489-7445 | Non-emergency: | 491-8048 |
| Recreation: | 806-9114 | Newsletter: | 806-9109 |
| Recreation Hotline: | 367-5069 | Senior Citizens: | 489-0106 |

Recreation

Thank You

A big thank you goes out to our wonderful Girls Basketball coaches and commissioners. Your time and dedication to our girls is greatly appreciated.



Recreation Programs

Our winter programs will be starting the second or third week in January 2010. For more information concerning our recreation programs, or to register, please visit our website at www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html or call 801-806-9114.

Senior Citizens

Potluck Luncheon

The Potluck Luncheon will be held on Thursday, January 14th at 11:30am. There will be a “Foot Clinic” provided by 1st Choice at 10:30am that morning before the luncheon. Chief Petterson will also talk at the Luncheon.

Winter Wonderland Ball

Mapleton’s “Winter Wonderland Ball” is on Saturday, January 23, 2010 at the Mapleton City Center from 8pm-11pm. Come join us for food, fun and entertainment. This Ball is for Mapleton residents young and old and anyone inbetween. Music is provided by Audio Visions. They will play the 40’s, 50’s or whatever you request.



Computer Class

There will be a computer class on computer organization in conjunction with the Library on January 19th at 1pm and January 21st at 7pm.

New Gym Hours

- Monday – 8am-11am/3pm-5:30pm
- Tuesday – 8am-11am/2pm-5:30pm
- Wednesday – 8am-11am/3pm-5:30pm/6pm-7pm
- Thursday – 8am-11am/3pm-5:30pm/6pm-7pm
- Friday – 8:30am-11am/3pm-5:30pm
- Saturday – 10am to NOON

Hours are subject to change due to the volunteer’s schedules. The gym is for Mapleton Citizens 50 years or older and City Employees ONLY. If anyone would like to volunteer or be an alternate, please contact Peggy Burt at 801-489-4363.

Thank You

We would like to give a “Special Thanks” to Ann Tolley for all her dedication and hard work she has done for the seniors and Mapleton City. We would also like to wish everyone a Happy New Year!